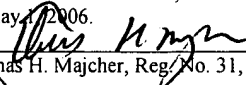
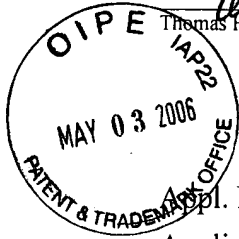


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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner dated December 22, 2005, rejecting each of pending claims 35-74.

A check in the amount of \$500 is enclosed herewith for the fee for this Notice of Appeal. The Commissioner is hereby authorized, however, to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-2425. A duplicate copy of this paper has been enclosed.

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